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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT : Request for Briefing

Charles Meissner with whom we worked at Treasury and who is now on the staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Subcommittee on Multinational Corporations, called me to ask whether the Agency could give him an oral briefing on Middle Eastern oil, particularly as seen from the Arab side. The Subcommittee is looking into this question as an aspect of its preparation for hearings on the impact of multinational corporations. There is apparently no great rush and Meissner is willing to wait until the present crisis has eased. I told him we would be happy to give him a briefing and to call me in about two weeks. At that point I will organize a joint OCI/OER briefing if you approve.

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